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"From the insular position of Britain, the first rude outline of shipping must have been in that country co-existent with the dawn of civilization itself," said the lecturer. "The necessity of some kind of vessel for fishing would doubtless be the first thing to make itself felt while the next would be the want of some means of transporting commodities from one place to another. In any case long before the Christian era the Britons appear to have understood the arts of both building and navigating vessels. Caesar speaks of the vessels of the Britons as being of a very light and flimsy construction, whilst Lucan described them as being built of twisted and interwoven willows covered with hides. The Britons, however, must have possessed even at that remote period some vessels of more importance than the kind of boats mentioned, because one of the primary objects of the invasion by Julius Caesar in 55 B.C. was to punish the Britons for sending help in ships and men to the Gallic tribes with whom he was then at war. London at that period was described as a port of considerable importance and as the chief residence of merchants. When Alfred the Great came to the throne in 871 he conceived the idea of the formation of a fleet to keep the Danes out of the country. These ships, which were of the size of any that had as yet been built, are said to have astonished all his enemies and there is a record of a naval battle more than 1000 years ago off the Isle of Wight. Alfred the Great's Successor continued the use of a fleet of ships to protect British trade and interests and later Athelstan followed the same policy. The latter was the first English monarch who made commerce a road to honour and was the first, indirectly, to subsidize British shipping. About 919 was the first establishment of the first Customs House. William the Conqueror greatly increased the security and stability of shipping and the lecturer showed how subsequent rulers maintained and increased the naval power of England during their period of office.

The fundamental principle of this system of commercial policy lay in the connection which was felt to exist between trade and industry. Trade it was said stimulated by providing a new market for its produce and with ships at hand markets were connected. These ideas of commercial policy dominated the whole of British legislation for shipping from the beginning of the seventeenth century till after the Napoleonic wars. Up till 1722 there were no dry docks. Through all the troublous times of press gangs, pirates, and what was of far greater harm, the unwise maritime laws, it was not until the latter part of the eighteenth century that British shipping had a free hand and that the laws enacted were wise and just. The 18th century changed the whole course of maritime affairs. After making reference to the application of steam to navigation, the lecturer said there appeared a probability that in the not far distant future, except perhaps in the case of small vessels and coasters sailing would become entirely a thing of the past. At no other period of the world's history had a single hundred years marked so stupendous a change in matters affecting the well-being of mankind as had the application of steam power to the purposes of locomotion both by land and sea. Reference was made to the advent of trans-Atlantic liners and Captain Brown pointed out that down to 1830 the British Government absolutely refused to allow the mails to be conveyed in any other than wooden ships. At last the restriction was withdrawn and the Cunard Company began to increase the size of their iron and steel steamers, displacing at length in these two magnificent masterpieces of marine architecture the Lusitania and Mauritania, which again brought back to Great Britain the Blue Ribband of the Atlantic. The Imperial British dominion could look with pride and satisfaction upon its shipping industry. In this it was the envy of the world and in no far as we retained our pluck, energy, determination and integrity so should we ever lead and point the way for others to follow. (Applause.)

The lecture was illustrated with some capital lantern slides and at the close Capt. Brown was warmly thanked.

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## LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

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The Franco-British Exhibition has ended its term after a record-breaking success, so far as such enterprises are concerned, on this side of the water. I was there a few days before it closed and there was a steady stream of visitors; mainly from the provinces, as unimpeded as in the height of summer. The stoppage of the great show falls short of the unexampled fine weather, for there is a sort of Indian summer in England this year, such as I do not remember before. Many Londoners, for instance, are at the seaside, revelling in sunshine, though London has a certain amount of its traditional November fog.

There are, I think, thousands of employees from the Exhibition added to the unemployed, but some of them have done by no means badly. I am told some of the Cingalese, for instance, have saved up as much as £100 apiece from penny "tips" given by visitors and are returning to their native land well-to-do. With the Senegalese, who also had a village, the situation is similar, but they are spending their money, or rather investing it on such unexpected trifles as silk dresses and sewing machines with which to startle high society in their foreign clime.

The Earl of Ronaldshay, the youthful but much-travelled author, is about to publish a new book of travel entitled "A Wandering Student in the Far East." Two previous efforts, on Far Eastern questions from his pen were successful.

The rumour that has been raised by the interview published by the *Daily Telegraph* in which the Kaiser was made to range from China to Peru in his assertions of friendship for Great Britain seems to have hit Prince von Buelow, the German Chancellor, hardest in its immediate results, and he has accordingly made a sensational admission in that he passed the interview without reading it. But the greater result, of more interest to Britons, is the storm against the Kaiser that has been raised in German breasts. The idea of being friendly to England if you take the individual German, or the individual Briton, and talk to them you find them mild-mannered towards one another, but somehow the idea has grown up on both sides of the German Ocean that the nations are, and must be, antagonistic. The curious thing is that while the Germans are railing at the Kaiser's expressions of English papers are openly amused at the irritation, which is not calculated to produce any sort of cordial feeling, is it?

The chief subject of debate is of course the statement that the Kaiser alone prevented a combination of Russia, France, and Germany against England in the dark days of the South African war. M. Delcasse's denial of any sort of willingness to participate in such a union is welcomed, and anyway, the *entente cordie* between England and France stands too firmly for any ancient history to disturb it. A diplomat of my acquaintance, however, "poo-poo's" the importance of the interview which he describes as revealing what everybody knew already. "Russia was certainly preparing a demonstration of the British points of weakness and the result was these points have been remedied." No harm, therefore, is likely to result from the interview, unless it be the loss of Prince von Buelow to German public life, and the Kaiser won't agree to that if he can help it.

The birnids are saved. The habits of saloon bars are therefore not so violent in their opposition to the Licensing Bill as they were. There was much pressure brought to bear on the Government by those who object to throwing 27,000 barmaids out of work, at the will of the Magistrates. Mr. Asquith gave way, but he has inserted other clauses into the Bill to secure public-house closing on election days—by no means a bad idea—and the application of Sunday closing to London, except to *bona-fide* restaurants which will run as at present. Other houses will have three hours open on Sunday only. The House of Lords will surely kill the Bill, and while the Government will have pleased some extreme temperance sections their attitude on this liquor question will give them any amount of trouble at the General Election. If defeated then in 1895, and may do so again.

The antics of the suffragettes have resulted in hard times for women candidates at local elections for the municipalities. In Hampstead a woman aspirant for London County Council work has been defeated, and a lady teacher, Miss Dove, nominated mayor of High Wycombe, has been voted against by a large majority of the townspeople. In various parts of the country numerous women, many of them experienced in public work, stood for election. All but two have been defeated. And that does not indicate the immense growth of the suffrage movement, claimed by the militant section.

The election of Mr. Taft as President of the United States excited but little interest and no surprise here. His rule will be a mild continuation of the Roosevelt policy but it is likely that his election will result in steady business growth. In any case the result could not affect American conditions very much, for the "Trusts" have a very firm hold of the United States. But the Rooseveltian view of stock-exchanging may have given a poor opinion of (Continued on Page 13)

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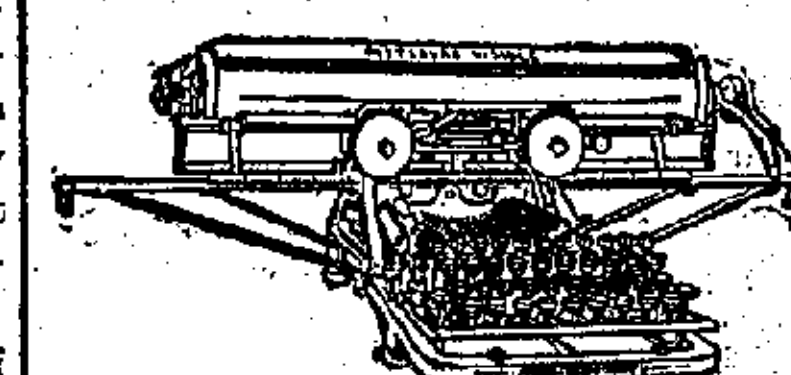
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T. O'HEE, Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1633

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T. O'HEE, Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1634

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THE FLAG LIEUTENANT.  
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16th,  
MRS. DOB.  
THURSDAY, Dec. 17th,  
A ROYAL DIVORCE.  
FRIDAY, Dec. 18th,  
THE WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE  
PATCH.  
SATURDAY, Dec. 19th,  
2 A. Z. A.  
MONDAY, Dec. 21st,  
THE SCARLET FIMPERNEL.  
TUESDAY, Dec. 22nd,  
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## MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

Auctions.  
11 a.m.—Auction of Chinese Porcelain,  
etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lemmer's Sales  
Room.  
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture, etc., at No. 2, Canton Villas,  
Kowloon.  
Amusements.  
9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong  
Austrian Dramatic Club in City Hall.

## General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, December 5.—  
Goods per China undelivered at 5 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.  
THURSDAY, December 10.—  
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.  
Goods per Kono Maru not cleared on  
this date subject to rent.  
Goods per Dardanelles undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.  
Goods per Nis not cleared at 4 p.m. on  
this date subject to rent.  
FRIDAY, December 11.—  
2 p.m.—Tenders for the Supply of Alcon  
Cement, at Yuen-Han Railway Co.'s  
Head Office, Canton.  
MONDAY, December 14.—  
10 a.m.—Auction of Victrola Records,  
at H.M. Naval Establishment.

## NOTICE.

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addressed to THE EDITOR.  
Letters relating to business should be address-  
ed to THE MANAGERS.Correspondents must forward their names  
and addresses with any communications ad-  
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## The China Mail

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1908.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND  
FEMALE EDUCATION.APPARENTLY the Education Board of  
the Chinese Government has been issuing  
some instructions with regard to female  
education, and the way that it should be  
carried on. We have not seen the  
Edict, but from the way in which it has  
been criticised by a section of the ver-  
nacular press one can form a fairly  
correct idea of its tenor. It would  
appear, first of all, that the instructions  
prohibit male and female students from  
associating with one another, the  
aim being specially to prevent the  
sexes from congregating and ming-  
ling together at the various functions  
nowadays arranged between the times  
of the schools closing and opening again  
for the work. The spirit of the Edict  
would appear to go further, for it dis-  
courage all intermingling of the sexes at  
all times and under all conditions. The  
wrath of the critics is roused against  
this prohibition. One writer points out  
that a refining influence is always at  
work where the sexes mingle together,  
and especially when educated students  
are allowed to freely associate. In addition  
to this fact, he points out that such an  
order infringes upon the liberty of the  
individual, a thing which cannot be  
tolerated in this twentieth century,  
even in China. Foreigners are not  
concerned with the justness or  
otherwise of these criticisms, and we  
simply refer to them as an indication of  
two distinct cross currents at present  
moving over the surface of public life inChina. Such agitation of the surface,  
however, may go much deeper than people  
imagine. Meanwhile, it has always  
appeared to us somewhat strange that  
there should be so much fuss about the  
intermingling of the educated sexes in  
this empire, seeing that amongst the  
common people it is the rule and not the  
exception. Surely those who are be-  
able to take care of themselves should  
not be debarr'd the freedom which  
appears to be a natural condition of  
affairs amongst those who have not the  
means to sit in the house all day, work-  
ing embroidery or smoking cigarettes.  
The Government, further, would seem  
to trouble itself about the fashions that  
at present are in vogue amongst Chinese  
ladies, both women and girls. It appears  
that Shanghai is at present the centre  
of Chinese female fashions, and  
what is worn there to-day is  
followed in Canton to-morrow. Some  
specific instances are mentioned of  
fashions that are offensive to the Chinese  
Education Board, such as the manner  
in which the hair is arranged, the grow-  
ing habit of wearing leather shoes, and  
sundry other peculiarities, all obnoxious  
to the central authority. The question  
of female fashions is too mysterious for  
the ordinary male mind to fathom and  
therefore the critic we are quoting is  
very angry that the Government should  
take upon itself to interfere in such a  
matter. At most, he says, it should be  
enough for the Government to interfere  
with the dress of the students in Go-  
vernment Schools without going further  
and trying to arrange what girls shall  
wear throughout China. Thirdly, it  
appears that the Government fears the  
habits of the West are intruding in  
another important matter, and that is  
in regard to the way men are wont to  
select their wives. It is well-known  
that in China it is the prerogative of  
parents to decide all these matters, their  
daughters not having any voice in their  
own disposal. They must take what is  
offered them, and be content—or other-  
wise. The picture that the critic con-  
jures up, justly or otherwise, does not  
speak much for the happy working of  
the old system. Indeed, he avers that  
these parental arrangements lead to  
constant trouble. "The youthful man  
and maiden have no opportunity of feel-  
ing any heart affection for each other,  
and they have no mutual knowledge of  
one another. When they are married, it  
is not easy for them to become subject  
to affection. There are therefore solitary  
men and women full of resentment,  
who swallow their own tears. In all  
the life of the Chinese, there is no  
tragedy greater than this." All things  
considered it is quite time, says this  
iconoclast, that young people were  
allowed to seize the privileges that are  
theirs, and take upon themselves the  
selection of their own mates.The last point in this article that we  
would call attention to is one of more  
serious importance. Apparently the Ed-  
ucation Department points out that if  
things are allowed to go on as they are  
going at present the very structure of  
Chinese society will crumble, therefore  
everybody must see to it that the "Three  
Obediences, and the Four Virtues" are  
looked to, and the foundations made  
more secure. These are well-known to  
students of Chinese literature. "When  
a daughter, the maid should obey  
her father; when a wife her hus-  
band; when a widow her son." The  
four virtues are: "Care for her virtue,  
care of her language, care for her work,  
and her appearance." The rigid appli-  
cation of these rules in China has  
practically meant that women can  
not appear outside the doors of their  
own houses unless they are escorted,  
and further they should not in any way  
interfere in matters outside their own  
homes. This position the critic assails  
as altogether obsolete. He contends the  
position that virtue means that a  
woman should keep at home and  
never appear outside the door  
of the house. He declares that  
the State is pained in its well-  
being by women as well as by men  
and therefore that women should be  
brought up to regard their presentposition as wrongly based. There  
should be freer scope for women to  
exercise their gifts and abilities, for  
nothing would be lost, nay something  
gained, if women were allowed more  
freedom. As pointed out at the  
commencement of this article we have  
no intention of seriously passing any  
opinion on the wisdom or unwisdom of  
the latest Edict of the Board of  
Education, or upon the strictures of the  
native critic; our duty is a simpler  
one, merely to point out that the  
"Woman's Question" has definitely  
appeared in China and that doughty  
champions are prepared to discuss the  
subject in the daily press. There is  
a conservative party and a liberal party  
in China, and they will naturally take  
sides, but there can be little doubt  
that with the spread of education, the  
old exclusion of women can never again  
be what it has been; on the other hand  
it is possible to go too fast, and to  
stumble where the habit of walking  
securely has not yet been properly  
acquired.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

Singapore has been proclaimed a port or  
place at which an infectious or contagious  
disease prevails.King Edward has directed the uniform  
playing of the National Anthem at eighty  
crochets per minute.Post Restante list of letters and Dead  
Letter notices will in future not be pub-  
lished in the Gazette.The sale of ferns and plants from  
the Botanic Gardens will be discontinued  
after the end of the year.The London City and Midland Bank  
and the North and South Wales Bank  
have amalgamated with a capital of eighteen  
millions sterling.It is reported from Newcastle-on-Tyne  
that the whole of the engineering concerns  
on the North-East Coast have been con-  
solidated into one trust.The annual prize distribution in con-  
nection with St. Joseph's College is to  
take place on December 21, when His  
Excellency the Governor will preside.For assaulting a woman and breaking  
her nose, a native was fined \$2 at the  
Magistrate's, to-day, by Mr. J. H. Kemp,  
and ordered to pay \$1 compensation.In order to reduce the bulk of the  
Gazette and for purposes of economy  
Departmental reports will not in future be  
published in the Government Gazette.The Bishop of Victoria will administer  
the rite of confirmation in St. John's  
Cathedral on Tuesday, December 22nd.  
The service will commence at 5 p.m.A coolie who was standing near a  
verandah which was being repaired, at  
Leighton Hill Road, this morning, was  
instantaneously killed by a piece of the iron  
work falling on his head.On the day of the enthronement of  
the young Emperor several hundred per-  
sons were arrested at different places in  
Canton for shaving their heads. Fines of  
\$200 each were imposed upon them for  
breaking the national mourning rules.In the north transept of St. John's  
Cathedral, Hongkong, a white memorial  
tablet has been placed bearing the names  
of twelve N. C. O., and men of the  
3rd Batt. Middlesex Regiment, who died  
in North China and Hongkong during  
1906-1908.The native owner of a shop in Queen's  
Road was attacked with bamboo in a  
dark part of Centre Street, a few days ago  
by a number of employees whom he had  
dismissed and replaced by females, has  
died in the hospital to which he was  
immediately admitted.President Roosevelt has appointed a  
commission to probe the affairs of the U.S.  
Navy Department and to submit plans for  
a complete reorganization. A General  
Staff to control naval affairs as the General  
Staff of the Army manages military matters,  
is one of the leading features of the con-  
templated change.The returns of the average amount of  
bank notes in circulation and of specie  
reserve in Hongkong during November  
was as follows:—Chartered Bank of India,  
Australia and China, average, \$3,832,097,  
specie, \$2,700,000; Hongkong and Shang-  
hai Bank, average \$15,915,297, specie  
\$11,000,000; National Bank of China,  
Ltd., \$79,134, specie nil, total average  
\$19,626,514, specie, \$3,700,000.

## A RELIABLE REMEDY FOR COUGHS.

WITH the dry, cold weather of the  
early winter months, parents of  
coughy children should be on the alert for  
coughing symptoms. There is no cause for  
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is kept in the house. If this medicine is  
given as soon as the child becomes hoarse,  
or even after the coughy cough has appear-  
ed, the attack may be varied off. For  
sale by all chemists and druggists.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The King's Esquire, empowering Mr.  
P. H. Tiedemann to be Consul for Russia  
at Hongkong has received His Majesty's  
signature.Mr. W. H. Tait, always an abstemious  
man, has finally become a teetotaler; or,  
as a breezy American journalist puts it,  
"he's on the water-wagon."Manila cables state that Mr. Secretary  
of State Root will succeed Mr. Platt as  
Senator from New York, Mr. Timothy  
Woodruff being placated with an Amba-  
sadorship.Manila papers have some very unkind  
things to say about Admiral Sperry, calling  
him childish, lacking in courtesy towards  
his fellow countrymen, and utterly negli-  
gent of the "unique opportunity to show  
the might of America to a people here who  
profit by forceful lessons only." It was  
a singular fact that the Admiral was present  
at none of the receptions patronized by  
Governor-General Smith during the stay  
of the fleet at Manila, and while Governor-  
General was never present on any occasion  
where the Admiral came to the fore.Some good stories attach to Dr. Lang,  
the new Archbishop of York. One is con-  
nected with the late Queen Victoria, who  
was a keen admirer of his powers when a  
young vicar. Whilst he was on a visit to  
Osborne on one occasion the Queen, it is  
said, remarked to him: "I hear excellent  
accounts of your work at Portsea, and I  
find that you actually keep a staff of twelve  
curates. You should take to yourself a wife.  
I believe you would be able to do with two  
curates less." "Ah, no, My Lady," the  
vicar is stated to have replied, "that would  
scarcely do. If I have a curate who does  
not suit I can get rid of him, but I could  
not do the same with a wife." "True,"  
was the reply, "but take the advice of an  
old woman and marry. God will give you  
a good wife."

## THE S.S. FATSHAN CASE.

The Self Government Association held a  
meeting at Canton yesterday to discuss the  
s.s. Fatshan case. Amongst those present  
were Messrs Fung Jikson, Tam Shiu Poo,  
Tsu Ching Po, Chan Tit Wan.Before the meeting ended all those pre-  
sent, numbering over one hundred, were  
photographed.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate General at  
Hongkong received the following telegram  
from the Manila Observatory at 10.30 a.m.  
December 5. Cyclone or typhoon East of  
the Visayas moving W. N. W.

## HEADMASTER DISMISSED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)  
CANTON, December 4.  
The headmaster of the Whampoa Military  
College has been dismissed for his alleged  
bad management. Colonel Wong Sze  
Lung, who was educated at Nanyang  
Military College has succeeded him.THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN  
DIAMOND JUBILEE.The minister of the Austro-Hungarian  
Foreign office has wired to the Austro-  
Hungarian Consulate in Hongkong:  
"Please convey to the Governor of Hong-  
kong the Emperor's thanks for the kind  
congratulations wired to Vienna on the  
occasion of the celebration of sixtieth an-  
niversary of his reign."  
His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard  
personally conveyed his congratulations on  
this auspicious event at the garden party  
given by Mr. Consul von Wiser on Wednes-  
day last.Five men appeared before Mr. J. R.  
Wood, at the Magistrate's, to-day, on an  
adjudged charge of demanding money by  
menaces from a native woman. Three  
defendants were sentenced to six months'  
imprisonment, each while the other two  
were discharged.

## A NOTABLE FACT.

THE absence of all narcotics makes  
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safest and best medicine for all coughs,  
colds, croup and whooping cough that can  
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and druggists.

## THE REICHSTAG DEBATE.

ALL MOTIONS REFERRED TO  
COMMITTEE.(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter,  
via Bombay.)  
LONDON, December 4.The Reichstag debate has concluded  
and all motions on procedure have been  
referred to committee.BRITISH UNIVERSITY  
FOR CHINA.PALACE TO BE BUILT FOR  
PRINCE REGENT.(Woh Tse Yat Po's Service.)  
PEKING, December 4.The Prince Regent has decided that  
one hundred days after the death of the  
late Emperor the independence of the  
Law Departments shall be in force.  
The Imperial Household Department  
and the various Boards have decided at  
a conference to build a separate Palace  
for Prince Chun, the Regent.Great Britain and France propose  
establishing universities in Tientsin  
and Shanghai.(REUTER'S SERVICE.)  
GERMANY.

LONDON, December 3.

The Liberals and Radicals have start-  
ed a great constitutional debate in the  
Reichstag on Ministerial responsibility  
in connection with the Kaiser's inter-  
views and speeches.

## ITALY.

LONDON, December 3.

The debate in the Italian Chamber  
was notable for a speech by the ex-  
Minister Signor Sonnino condemning  
Signor Tittoni's attitude in regard to  
the annexation of Bosnia and Herze-  
govina as a grave mistake.CHINA AND THE JAPAN-  
AMERICAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, December 3.

The Times correspondent in Peking  
wires that before signing the Japan-  
American Agreement it was com-  
municated to the Wai Wu-pu with a  
hope that China would recognize the  
United States' traditional friendship.  
China fully approved of the Agreement.THE UNITED STATES AND  
CHINA.

LONDON, December 3.

President Roosevelt has received Mr.  
Tang Shao-yi and suite at the White  
House. The Envoy presented a letter  
of thanks to the United States for  
cancelling a portion of the Boxer  
indemnity. The Envoy also gave a  
most courteous speech, to which Pres-  
ident Roosevelt replied in suitable  
terms, "condoling with China on the  
deaths of the late Emperor and Empress.

## THE NEAR EAST.

LONDON, December 3.

The Pester-Lloyd states that twenty  
battalions have been ordered to Bosnia.  
A Turco-Montenegrin Agreement  
rounding off the frontier, to avoid  
future quarrels, has been concluded.SWEENEY'S HEADACHE CURE—Nervous,  
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## THE INVASION OF ENGLAND.

### WHAT CAN BE DONE IN A FOG.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, December 4.

Rear-Admiral Frank Funnell, of the Home Fleet, speaking at Dover, said that during the last manoeuvres he conveyed a force representing 7,000 men to the Scottish coast, unseen by the British Fleet, owing to the prevalence of fog at the time.

### "A COUNTRY GIRL."

His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard attended the performance of "A Country Girl" at the Theatre Royal on Friday evening. There was again a crowded house and the musical comedy went with a splendid swing from start to finish. Many of the lady principals received handsome floral tributes during the course of the evening, while Barry was more comical than ever. It is rather a pity, though, that encores should be so freely demanded, it draws out the entertainment to an inordinate length.

### CIVIL SERVICE CRICKET CLUB.

#### Special Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Civil Service Cricket Club was held at Happy Valley on Friday evening. Hon. Mr. W. Chittam presided and said the business of the meeting was to confirm a resolution, passed at their previous meeting, "That a permanent club building be erected." Since the last meeting plans had been prepared, and tenders had been obtained. So far no application had been made to the Government for permission to erect the building, but he did not think there would be any obstacles put in the way. The design was a promising one, and would provide a handsome and valuable place for the club.

The motion was confirmed. Mr. Jeffrey said that four tenders had been received for the following prices—\$4,800, \$4,400, \$3,500, and \$3,700. Another tender was for \$3,000 but contained a provision that old, sound bricks might be used. There was no objection to this. The Chairman said \$3,000 was within the limit of what they expected to spend. It was informed that \$2,800 had been obtained up to the present, and the club funds would be able to provide the balance if all went well. It did not matter if the materials were old, so long as they were sound, because they would be entirely invisible when the building was finished. What concerned them was to get a building within their means. He proposed that the committee be authorised to accept the tender unless the sanction of the Government had been obtained.

This was agreed to. The Chairman said that assuming the contractors got good weather, they should be able to finish within the time specified—four months.

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## INTERPORT CRICKET.

### Hongkong "B" v. Canton.

In delightful conditions this match opened on the ground of the Hongkong Cricket Club this morning.

The home side went to the wickets first, Hinds and Lang facing the bowling of Saunders and Comrie. From the first ball delivered Hinds hit a two, while the same over produced a boundary off Lang's bat. After Saunders had bowled a maiden over Lang found the boundary again. Just after, however, he hit up from the same bowler, by whom he was easily caught. The score now stood at 19, towards which Lang had contributed 14. Day was the new-comer, and with his second knock he credited his side with a four, which he repeated a moment later. Just before 40 was registered Wallis took over the ball from Comrie, but his opening over brought no luck. Hinds was fortunate in not being caught off the first ball of the next over, and then followed a series of single runs. The half-century brought no change in the batsmen, and the next incident of note was a nice cut from Day off Wallis, which resulted in a boundary. At 60 however, the Hongkong man was smartly caught at the wicket by Drummond. His score of 25 was compiled at a good rate.

The home captain, Makin, now joined Hinds at the wicket. For a time runs came slowly, both bowlers giving the home pair some little anxiety, so that what few runs were added came mostly in singles. At length however Makin had a chance, of which he availed himself by finding the boundary line, and thus bringing the score to 80. At this stage Pratt went on vice Saunders, but the change failed to secure the desired effect, 11 runs being made off his first over. But on the second ball of Wallis' next delivery Hinds' wicket was taken, his contribution being 30 runs.

With the score at 97, Shenton went in, but Wallis further continued his success by capturing this man's middle stump two balls later, no further runs having been added. Dashwood was next in and soon the century was recorded, the newcomer securing two boundaries in successive hits. A few balls later he added another four off a ball from Wallis, while in the following over he repeated the performance from the bowling of Pratt, carrying the score to 120. Pratt was shortly afterwards relieved, for Saunders to get on again, while at the other end Comrie was put on again. Scoring was arrested for a time, the next two overs only yielding one run. Immediately afterwards a change came, Dashwood being easily caught by Saunders, from whom the ball came. The outgoing bowler had put together 24, and the scoring board now read 126 for 5.

Waterhouse now became associated with Makin, but the bowlers gave the home pair very little freedom only two runs being added in four overs. At 141 Waterhouse left as the result of a good catch by Thorne off Comrie, while one run later Read, the new man in was run out without having credited his side with a score. Jackie joined Makin and some lively batting was participated in by both men, the latter once hitting clean out of the ground.

A double change of bowling was now tried but runs were still added, Jackie playing some profitable strokes. A boundary by Makin signalled 182 runs, and on the following ball his middle stump was taken with a full-tither from Wallis, in attempting to hit to leg. The home captain had then four men in and he gave a capital display, putting together 59. With eight wickets down Stevens came in and treated the spectators to the opportunity of seeing ten runs scored in two strokes at 201. Jackie was by before, and the last man in was Shields. After his appearance only four runs were added to the score, and the innings closed just before one o'clock for 205.

The adjournment was then made for 11.15, at which H. B. the Governor Sir F. Lugard was present.

SCORING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Saunders	19	4	64	4
Comrie	19	2	27	1
Wallis	15	0	51	4
Pratt	3	0	28	0
Rossiter	2	0	25	8
Canton				
R. S. Pratt, at Dashwood b Shields	15			
R. C. Comrie b Shields	1			
W. R. Robertson b Shields	1			
A. G. W. Wallis at Dashwood b Shields	59			
J. T. M. Drummond b Read	12			
W. W. G. Rose b Shields	8			
W. G. Saunders b Read	0			
G. S. Thorne b Shields b Read	11			
G. H. E. Rossiter b Read	21			
W. P. W. Turner not out	1			
F. L. Clyde c Read b Martin	7			
Extras	0			
Total	62			

Canton followed on.

At Lucknow, on November 19th the Viceroy made his first important pronouncement on the political situation, since the recent attempted assassination of Sir Andrew Fraser. Lord Minto said India was face to face with a conspiracy which, if not suppressed, must cripple the future of the country. A poisonous seed had been sown and had grown up into a noxious weed, which must be dug up and cast out. The British Government was determined to shut the door in the face of ruinous anarchy, and for special difficulties it would not hesitate to force special weapons.

## RAMBLING NOTES.

I doff my cap to the A.D.C. Greatly daring, they have achieved a splendid success with "A Country Girl." And oh, that Barry!

I see that the Hongkong Football League is now an accomplished fact, and that several league games were on the card for this afternoon.

Mr. J. F. Youngs, the popular advance agent of the Bandmann Comedy Company, I see is now in town making arrangements for the forthcoming visit of his company, which opens at the theatre on Thursday, the 10th of the present month. The booking is in the hands of Moutrie and Co.

I see that the V. R. C. have secured the services of a new gymnastic instructor for the forthcoming season. From all accounts the new man comes with a splendid record behind him as an instructor, and it only remains with those members of the V. R. C. who take an interest in gymnastics to pull together so as to lend encouragement to the new instructor.

How grateful the evening fire have been this past week, grateful and comforting under the discomforts and worries of the day. It seems absurd that fires should be absolutely necessary in Hongkong, situated as it is on the verge of the tropics. But as I heard an old resident remark the other day, "the climate of Hongkong would be alright if it wasn't so beastly cold."

I am glad to see that some little folks in this Colony still retain their faith in Santa Claus. The other day accident (or design) sent the following letter across my path: it was written in a very childish, sprawling hand and had evidently cost much time and thought, judging from the used-up tired-looking condition of the paper:—

North Pole Santa Claus Esq Dear Santa Claus could I have a cannon some soldier clothes I am turned a new leaf I am not a badder boy mother says.

Your loving,

It is more than probable that we will soon have another boxing entertainment, for I see that Wells, of the Astoria, is willing to meet anyone of the Wilmington, with a preference for Jimmie O'Rourke. Kid Marriot, of the Naval Yard, is also open to box. Why doesn't the Star Ferry provide that someone will put up a purse. From what I have seen of the various men, were they to meet, the show would be a great success, financially and otherwise. It only remains now with some of the sporting members of the colony to get the ball rolling in the hopes of securing the necessary dollars.

Now Mr Editor, I know you go to Kowloon sometimes, because I've seen you; in fact I think you live there. Well, have you ever noticed a couple with a heavy package trying to gain access to one or other of the Star Ferry Wharves? Isn't it an old, antiquated idea? The poor beggars have to hold their packages on a handily on the one side, buy their tickets before going on the turnstile and then let the packages down on the other. Two launches could be missed in the time it takes them sometimes. Why doesn't the Star Ferry Co. introduce a system of passes or some thing more up to date. Is no wonder our American friends laugh at some of the things they see in Hongkong. I wonder whether the Star Ferry will take the tip?

Last Sunday the Corinthian Yacht Club held their postponed opening cruise to Li-chi-hok, and as it so happened they could not have wished for a better day. There was a nice steady breeze, with sufficient of King Solomon's ferry face to keep the outer man warm. I was one of a party on board the La Cigale during the day, consequently I had a splendid view of the day's racing. As there was a plentiful supply of good things on board the party had no need to go ashore, preferring a life on the ocean wave. The scores, about which I had some doubts, improved with the keeping, and the *afresco* which the party set down to do was voted a great success. My old friend Spiff before disembarking remarked, "We could do with this every week," to which (seeing the subtle philosophy of his remarks), of course, I assented. Who wouldn't, I wonder?

It is not every blue-jacket who can order a packet of "fags" through the Queen. But one man in the senior service can claim this unique distinction. It came about in this way. Queen Alexandra was visiting one of the Royal Naval Hospitals the other day and in the course of her tour came to a blue-jacket's bedside. Her Majesty chatted with the man for a few minutes, and then asked him whether there was anything he would particularly like. The patient, with the usual frankness of the sailor, replied: "Yes, your Majesty, I should so like a 'looky puzzle', but tactfully smiled and promised that his wishes should be gratified. As soon as she had the chance, she asked one of her staff the meaning of the word "fag," which was unknown to the Royal vocabulary. When the thing was ascertained, she immediately ordered a packet of cigarettes for the blue-jacket.

The great social event of the year has come and gone. The pious memory of St Andrew was celebrated in right good style at the City Hall last Monday night. The Scots of the Colony have to be congratulated on the manner in which they answered the call of their Chief, and the two dancing halls resounded with mirth

and contentment until the "was amn hours away the twal." The station lights at a distance, however, were burning brightly long after that hour, and I hear that the station-master had the doll's own work in getting the gates closed for the night. That most energetic and large-souled of men, Solly David Wood, worked very hard during the weeks preceding the ball, and to him and his various committees, more so than to any other, the success of the Highland dances. I wonder if I ever before the husband of one of her best friends, whom she had not met before. Things have come to such a pass in London that any well dressed man can walk into a large house and have a good supper and plenty of cigars and champagne, all without personally knowing the host or hostess. I have heard similar tales of like happenings at public balls in this Colony. Comment is superfluous.

London society, I read in Home papers, was badly hit by the last Summer by a new scheme of imposition. The fine weather which prevailed all last season led to a greater number of outdoor dances and fetes, as well as garden parties, than ever before. The husband of one of her best friends, whom she had not met before. Things have come to such a pass in London that any well dressed man can walk into a large house and have a good supper and plenty of cigars and champagne, all without personally knowing the host or hostess. I have heard similar tales of like happenings at public balls in this Colony. Comment is superfluous.

## THE STAMP ORDINANCE.

### An Interesting Point of Law.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy, this morning, the case was called on in which Messrs. H. Rutledge and Son, were summoned under the stamp ordinance. It will be remembered that Messrs. Rutledge were summoned for having failed to comply with the ordinance in placing a stamp on a receipt of over \$25, and when the case was called on, it was dismissed by Mr. J. R. Wood on the point of law that masters were not liable for acts of their servants. The Crown immediately took the matter to the Full Court and the case was remitted to the Magistracy with the order in the opinion of their Lordships the decision of the Magistrate was wrong and that the defendant be "summoned" again and fined.

Mr. L. Denny appeared for the Crown and Mr. P. Goldring watched the case on behalf of Mr. Rutledge.

His Worship asked, as defendant did not appear, if he had been served with a copy of the order.

Mr. Denny:—I don't think he was served with a copy personally. I believe it went to Mr. Goldring, but if he has not been served he can be served now and I therefore ask for an adjournment.

Mr. Goldring:—There is no case to adjourn. The case was concluded at the previous hearing. There was nothing to bring Mr. Rutledge before the Court.

Mr. Denny:—He got your Worships note.

Mr. Goldring:—The order under the ordinance provides that defendant must be summoned again.

Mr. Denny:—I understand defendant has been summoned.

Mr. Goldring:—No; he only got the letter.

His Worship:—(To Mr. Goldring). Can you give me any authority?

Mr. Goldring:—The ordinance in such a case as this requires the person who is dissatisfied with the decision of the Magistrate and not to the Crown.

His Worship:—The defendant has not got a new summons but the letter informed him that the case was to be called on so that the order of the Supreme Court might be obeyed.

Mr. Goldring then read the letter which asked Mr. Rutledge to kindly call at the Magistracy that morning in order to be fined.

Mr. Goldring:—Immediately the case was dismissed at the previous hearing it was disposed of.

His Worship:—There are no forms provided?

Mr. Goldring:—No.

His Worship:—I am told to summons defendant on a form. I sent a notification which gave all the information required.

Mr. Goldring:—Yes. But I submit he must be summoned on a proper form.

His Worship:—There are no forms.

Mr. Goldring:—It bears the Registrar's signature.

Mr. Denny:—(To Mr. Goldring). You would say the Registrar does not know his own signature?

Mr. Goldring:—Oh no; I did not say such a thing.

His Worship:—Can I hear evidence against?

Mr. Goldring:—A person cannot be summoned twice with respect to the same case.

Further argument ensued and the case was adjourned until Thursday at 11 a.m.

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Princes' Buildings,  
Hongkong, November 27, 1908. 1608

## **Notices to Consignees.**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM SINGAPORE, PENANG AND  
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship Lightning having ar-  
rived from the above Ports, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby informed that  
their Goods will be delivered from along-  
side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel  
will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and  
expense. Cargo remaining on board after  
2 P.M. of the 6th instant, will be landed  
at Consignees' risk and expense.  
Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and  
PENANG are requested to take immediate  
delivery of their Goods from alongside  
the Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-  
signees' risk and expense.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the undersigned.  
**DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1632

## **NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S  
STEAMER 'NILE,'  
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,  
PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessel are hereby informed that  
their Goods are being landed and  
placed at their risk in the Godowns and  
Warehouses of the Peninsular & Oriental  
Steam Navigation Company's  
Godowns at Kowloon where such Consign-  
ment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as  
the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here un-  
less instructions are given to the contrary  
before 6 P.M.  
Goods not cleared by the 10th inst., at  
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us  
in any case whatever.  
Damaged packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Con-  
signee's or the Company's representative  
at an appointed hour. All claims must be  
presented within ten days of the steamer's  
arrival here, after which date they cannot  
be recognised. No claims will be admitted  
after the goods have left the Godowns.  
**E. A. HEWETT,**  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1908. 1639

## **IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.**

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
THE Steamship  
**BURLOW,**  
having arrived, Consignees of cargo are  
hereby informed that their Goods, with the  
exception of Opium, Tobacco and Valu-  
ables, are being landed and stored at their  
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and  
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,  
Kowloon, and West Point, Ge-  
dow's warehouse delivery may be obtained.  
No claims will be admitted after the 10th of  
December, will be subject to rent.  
All Broken China and Damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, where they  
will be examined on the 10th of December,  
at 9.30 a.m.  
If claims must reach us before the 14th  
(December 10th), or they will not be re-  
cognised.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the undersigned.  
**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,**  
**MELORES & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1638

## **NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KIDDERBOROUGH, ANT-  
WERP, LONDON, COLOMBO  
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Kamo Maru,  
having arrived from the above Ports,  
Consignees of cargo are hereby in-  
formed that their Goods are being landed  
and placed at their risk in the Godowns  
of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's  
Godowns at Kowloon, where such Consign-  
ment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and  
delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.  
Optional Goods will be carried on unless  
instructions are given to the contrary be-  
fore Noon, To-day.  
Goods not cleared before the 10th Dec.,  
will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Con-  
signee's or the Co.'s representatives at an  
appointed hour. All claims must be pre-  
sented within seven days of the steamer's  
arrival here, after which date they cannot  
be recognised. No claims will be admitted  
after the goods have left the Godowns.  
**NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1908. 1635

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## **Notices to Consignees.**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA,  
KOBE AND MOI.

THE Steamship Lightning having arrived  
from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo are hereby informed that their  
Goods will be delivered from alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge, will be  
landed at Consignees' risk and expense  
into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous  
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-  
loon Wharf and Godown Company,  
LIMITED.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the undersigned.  
**D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1908. 1619

## **PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,  
JAPAN AND SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship  
CHINA.

The above-named Vessel having  
arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
notified to send in their Bills of Lading for  
counter-signature, and to take immediate  
delivery from alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the  
vessel will be landed at once at Con-  
signees' risk and expense.  
Cargo remaining on board after 5 p.m.,  
on THURSDAY, the 3rd December, 1908,  
will be landed and stored at Consignees'  
risk and expense.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
All Cargo undelivered on TUESDAY,  
December 8th, 1908, at 5 p.m., will be  
subject to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo  
will be examined at the above Company's  
Godown on MONDAY, the 7th Dec., at  
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